

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT**

Universities – Osmania University, Hyderabad – Exemption to the Mentally Handicapped candidates from appearing one language paper (English or Second Language), extra-time to write the papers (30 minutes – 1 hour), Scribe help at degree level on par with Deaf and Dumb candidates – Orders – Issued.

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**HIGHER EDUCATION (UE-I) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O. Ms. No. 118**

**Dated: 22-08-2009.**

Read the following:

1. From the Registrar, Osmania University, Lr.No.MR-521/D/2007/Acad-III. Dated. 17-03-2008.
2. Government Letter.No.3862/UE.I/A2/2008-1, dt. 15-11-2008.
3. From the Registrar, Osmania University, Hyd., Lr.No.69/D/ 2009/Acad.III. Dated. 16-01-2009.

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**ORDER:**

In the reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above, the Registrar, Osmania University, Hyderabad has stated that Mr. S.Soogoorappa, a Mentally Handicapped student of Bachelor of Fine Arts (BFA) 5 YDC admitted during the academic year 2003-04 at Sri Venkateswara College of Fine Arts was detained in III year during 2005-06. Mr. S.Soogoorappa has submitted an application for exemption from appearing and passing of one Language i.e English paper at his BFA Course.

2. The Registrar, Osmania University has further stated that in respect of Deaf and Dumb students who have been exempted from appearing one Language (i.e English or Second Language) at S.S.C., and Intermediate level, the University has been extending the relaxation for exemption of one language ( i.e English or Second Language) at Degree Level. He has further stated that the Standing Committee of the Academic Senate at its meeting held on 15-11-2007 discussed the matter and resolved to write a letter to Government with regard to one language exemption at BFA Course for the mentally handicapped students on par with deaf and dumb candidates.

3. The Registrar, Osmania University, Hyderabad has requested the Government to clarify whether the Mentally Handicapped students may also be considered for exemption from appearing one language (English or Second Language) at degree level on par with Deaf and Dumb candidates.

4. Government have examined the matter and observe that there are several parents, whose children are suffering from Cerebral, Palsy, Dyslexia etc., mental handicaps and approaching Government for relaxation in respect of Public Exams i.e exemption from one language paper, extra time to write the papers (30 minutes – 1hour) Scribe help etc. Keeping in view the above, Government have decided to extend the following exemptions to the Mentally Handicapped candidates at degree level on par with Deaf and Dumb candidates:

1. Appearing from one language paper (English or Second Language).
2. Extra-time to write the papers (30 minutes – 1 hour), and Scribe help.

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5. The Registrar, osmania University, Hyderabad shall take necessary action accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

D. LAKSHMI PARTHASARATHY,  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To  
The Registrar,  
Osmania University, Hyderabad.  
Copy to:  
The Secretary,  
Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad.  
The Commissioner, Collegiate Education, Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.  
The Woman Development, Child Welfare & Disabled  
Welfare Department.  
The Health Medical & Family Welfare Department.  
The P. S to M ( H.Edn )  
The P.S to Principal Secretary (HE).  
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